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SUBJECT: HEINEMANN WARNS ABOUT GDR BERLIN POLICY

1. FRG PRESIDENT HEINEMANN DEPARTED FROM CUSTOMARY APOLITICAL STANCE DURING APRIL 1-4 VISIT TO BERLIN ON TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS WHEN HE PUBLICLY WARNED THAT GDR STILL ENTERTAINS DESIGNS AGAINST WEST BERLIN. IN APRIL 3 ADDRESS TO EMPLOYEES OF LANDESARBEITSAMT, HEINEMANN DECLARED THAT "THERE ARE FORCES IN THIS WORLD WHICH DESIRE TO MAKE SOMETHING ELSE OUT OF WEST BERLIN; THIS WILL NOT, HOWEVER, SUCCEED." LATER SAME DAY, DURING RECEPTION GIVEN FOR SERVICE PERSONNEL WHERE NO NEWSMEN WERE PRESENT, HEINEMANN WAS REPORTED AS STATING MORE SPECIFICALLY THAT, DESPITE RECENT AGREEMENTS, GDR HAD STILL NOT ABANDONED HOPE OF ONE DAY INCORPORATING WEST BERLIN INTO GDR. HE URGED SENAT AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RESOLUTELY TO CONFRONT ANY

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SUCH ATTEMPT, AND CALLED ON BERLIN POPULACE TO SUPPORT

RESISTANCE AGAINST ENCROACHMENT BY MAINTAINING
"CONFIDENT UNITY." ON AT LEAST ONE OF THESE TWO
OCCASIONS WE ARE TOLD HEINEMANN DROPPED HIS PREPARED
TEXT TO GET HIS POINT ACROSS.

2. HEINEMANN'S REMARKS, WHICH WERE WIDELY CARRIED IN
WEST BERLIN PRESS APRIL 4, WERE SHARPLY CRITICIZED BY
ADN AS "A DEFAMATION OF THE PEACE POLICY OF THE GDR."
HEINEMANN, DECLARED ADN, HAD INSINUATED ANNEXATIONIST
AMBITIONS TO GDR THAT "IN FACT, NOW AS BEFORE, ARE
PURSUED BY WELL-KNOWN FORCES IN THE FRG." IN VEILED
THREAT AGAINST CONTINUING INNER-GERMAN TALKS, ADN
SAID THAT IT WAS ALL THE MORE SURPRISING THAT SUCH
ATTACKS HAD BEEN LEVIED AGAINST GDR PRECISELY AT
A TIME WHEN AGREEMENTS AND TREATIES USEFUL TO BOTH
GERMAN STATES WERE BEING NEGOTIATED. ADN DID NOT, HOWEVER,
USE OCCASION TO CRITICIZE HEINEMANN'S PRESENCE
IN WEST BERLIN.KLEIN

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